

Table 1. Number, median days, incidence rate¹ and relative standard errors of nonfatal occupational injuries and illnesses with days away from work² involving musculoskeletal disorders³ by selected natures of injury or illness, New York, 2000

Nature	Number	Median days away from work	Incidence rate	Relative standard error
Total	40,232	11	67.4	3.5
02 Traumatic injuries to muscles, tendons, ligaments, joints, etc.	27,125	8	45.5	3.6
021 Sprains, strains, tears	27,125	8	45.5	3.6
09 Other traumatic injuries and disorders	10,419	16	17.5	4.1
097 Nonspecified injuries and disorders	10,419	16	17.5	4.1
0972 Back pain, hurt back	5,811	13	9.7	4.7
0973 Soreness, pain, hurt, except the back	4,609	28	7.7	5.0
12 Nervous system and sense organs diseases	886	36	1.5	9.2
124 Disorders of the peripheral nervous system	886	36	1.5	9.2
1241 Carpal tunnel syndrome	886	36	1.5	9.2
15 Digestive system diseases and disorders	1,033	25	1.7	8.6
153 Hernia	1,033	25	1.7	8.6
1530 Hernia, unspecified	568	30	1.0	11.2
1531 Inguinal hernia	285	16	0.5	15.5
1532 Hiatal hernia	76	12	0.1	29.5
1533 Ventral hernia	56	28	0.1	34.2
1539 Hernia, n.e.c.	49	43	0.1	36.7
17 Musculoskeletal system and connective tissue diseases and disorders	768	22	1.3	9.8
171 Arthropathies and related disorders (arthritis)	--	--	--	--
172 Dorsopathies	142	15	0.2	21.7
1721 Sciatica	67	15	0.1	31.5
1722 Lumbago	--	--	--	--
1729 Dorsopathies, n.e.c.	72	35	0.1	30.2
173 Rheumatism, except the back	616	26	1.0	10.8
1730 Rheumatism, except the back, unspecified	--	--	--	--
1731 Bursitis	19	8	--	58.1
1732 Synovitis	--	--	--	--
1733 Tendonitis	513	18	0.9	11.7
1734 Tenosynovitis	--	--	--	--
1735 Ganglion/cystic tumor	55	31	0.1	34.7
1739 Rheumatism, except the back, n.e.c.	--	--	--	--

¹ Incidence rates represent the number of injuries and illnesses per 10,000 full-time workers and were calculated as:
 $(N / EH) \times 20,000,000$ where,

N = number of injuries and illnesses,
 EH = total hours worked by all employees during the calendar year,
 20,000,000 = base for 10,000 full-time equivalent workers (working 40 hours per week, 50 weeks per year).

² Days away from work include those which result in days away from work with or without restricted work activity.

³ Includes cases where the nature of injury is: sprains, strains, tears; back pain, hurt back; soreness, pain, hurt, except back; carpal tunnel syndrome; hernia; or musculoskeletal system and connective tissue diseases and disorders and when the event or exposure leading to the injury or illness is: bodily reaction/bending, climbing, crawling, reaching, twisting; overexertion; or repetition. Cases of Raynaud's phenomenon, tarsal tunnel syndrome, and herniated spinal discs are not included. Although these cases may be considered MSD's, the survey classifies these cases in categories that also include non-MSD cases.

NOTE: Dashes indicate data that do not meet publication guidelines or data for incidence rates less than .05 per 10,000 full-time workers. The scientifically selected probability sample used was one of many possible samples, each of which could have produced different estimates. A measure of sampling variability for each estimate is available upon request.

SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, July 10, 2003